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GARY D. McFARLAND
CLERK

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

IN RE:

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

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) **GENERAL ORDER**

NO. 00-04

Whereas, from time to time, court operations are impacted by inclement weather, the following policy is implemented. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. At 6:00 a.m., the Chief Judge will consult with the Clerk of Court about weather conditions in Omaha and Lincoln.

2. The Chief Judge will make a decision at, or immediately following, 6:00 a.m., to remain open or to close. Both Omaha and Lincoln may close, or only Omaha, or only Lincoln, depending on weather conditions at that particular location. If the Chief Judge decides to close, then the court in that location is closed in its entirety, and no judge may expect services from the Clerk's Office, Pretrial Services Office, Probation Office, or the United States Marshal.

3. Once a decision is made, to close or to remain open, the Chief Judge will inform the Clerk of Court.

4. The Clerk of Court will notify the unit executives for Probation, Pretrial Services, and the United States Marshals Service of the Chief Judge's decision. Upon notification from the unit executives, supervisors in each agency shall notify their employees. The courtroom deputy clerks for each judge will notify their particular judge and chambers staff as to the Chief Judge's decision.

5. When inclement weather strikes during the working day, each unit executive may decide whether to reduce operations to a skeleton staff. However, all court units shall continue to support ongoing trials, hearings and the like.

6. This order does not pertain to the Bankruptcy Court.

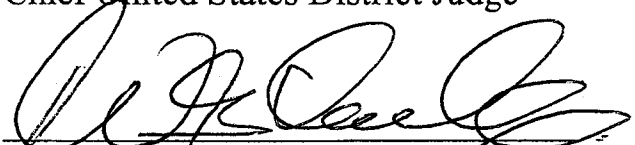
7. This order does not pertain to judges, and their secretaries and law clerks; that is, each judge will decide whether his or her personal staff will work during inclement weather. Nevertheless, if the Chief Judge has decided to close the court, no judge may expect services from the Clerk's Office, Pretrial Services Office, Probation Office, or United States Marshals.

DATED this 31st day of May, 2000.

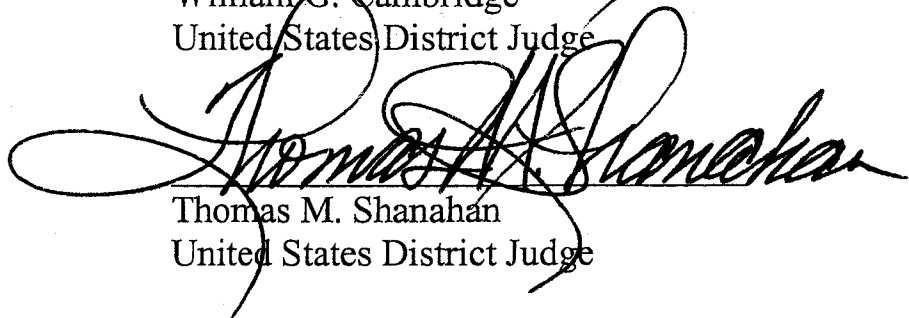
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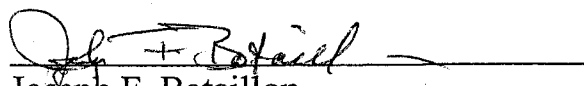
Richard G. Kopf
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United States District Judge



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